GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services - MA&UD Department – Allegations on corruption and ignoring of unauthorized construction against Sri P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner and two (2) others of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation - Departmental Proceedings initiated against them under Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – conducted - Charges held 'not proved' - Further action dropped - Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.218 **Dated.03.04.2023**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Dept., Vigilance Report No.13 (C.No.2115/V&E/D1/2012), dated.18.02.2016.
2. G.O.Rt.Nos.324, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.10.04.2018
3. G.O.Rt.Nos.325 to 327, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.10.04.2018.
4. Written Statement of Defences/ Served copy of Sri P.V.Ramalingeshwar, the then Municipal Commissioner and Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, TPS, GVMC., and Sri D.S.V.Kumar, ACP, Srikakulam Municipal Corporation received from DTCP & CDMA.
5. G.O.Rt.No.150, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.06.04.2021.
6. G.O.Rt.No.151, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.06.04.2021.
7. Inquiry Report of Sri B.Suresh Kumar, Chief Urban Planner & Inquiry Officer, VMRDA., Visakhapatnam, Lr.Roc.No.1015/2010/G1, dated.24.09.2021.
8. Govt.Memo.No.180271/Vig.I/2016, dated.13.08.2022.
9. Written representations from Sri P.V.Ramalingeshwar, the then Municipal Commissioner., Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the thenTPS, GVMC and served copy of Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then ACP of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation .

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O R D E R:

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department that the V&E officials verified the construction of building complex Aruna Plaza by the side of day & night road in Srikakulam town on allegations of building complex (Aruna Plaza) being constructed against the approved plan by the builder in connivance with the Town Planning officials in Srikakulam Municipal Corporation and recommended to initiate departmental action against (1) P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner; (2) Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then TPO; and (3) Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then TPBO., of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Government initiated common disciplinary proceedings against Sri P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner and two (2) others of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation under Rule-24 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991. In the reference 3rd read above, articles of charges were framed against them, under Rule-20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991, duly directing them to submit their written statement of defence thereon.

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3. Having not convinced with the explanations submitted by the charged officers, Government appointed Sri B.Suresh Kumar, the then Joint Director, VMRDA, Visakhapatnam, as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against all the three (3) charged officers vide reference 5th read above. In the reference 6th read above, Sri B.Satyanarayana, A.C.P., Srikakulam Municipal Corporation, was appointed as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry authority on behalf of the disciplinary authority.

4. In the reference 7th read above, Sri B.Suresh Kumar, Chief Urban Planner & Enquiry Officer, VMRDA., Visakhapatnam submitted Inquiry report concluding that, the charges framed against Sri P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner and two (2) others of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation were held 'not proved' in the Inquiry.

5. Government have examined the Inquiry report and communicated a copy of Inquiry report to (1) P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner; (2) Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then TPO; and (3) Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then TPBO., of Srikakulam Municipality under Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules 1991 and directed to submit their written representations, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry officer vide reference 8th read above.

6. In the reference 9th read above, Sri P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner and Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then TPBO, of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation submitted their written representations duly accepting the findings of Inquiry Officer and requested to drop further action against them and the DTCP has furnished the speed post tracking of the memo., communicated to Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then TPO, of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter; keeping in view of the findings of the Inquiry report, written representation of the charged officers and after following due procedure, it has been decided to drop further action against (1) P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner; (2) Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then TPO; and (3) Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then TPBO., of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation, as the charges are held not proved in the Inquiry.

8. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against (1) P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner; (2) Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then TPO; and (3) Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then TPBO., of Srikakulam Municipal Corporation.

9. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Corporation., A.P., Guntur and Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

10. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHEIF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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To
Sri P.V.Ramalingeswar, the then Municipal Commissioner,
Srikakulam Municipality - **through** the C&DMA., A.P., Guntur.
Sri D.S.V.Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer,
Srikakulam Municipality - **through** the DTCP., A.P., Guntur.
Sri G.Vijaya Kumar, the then Town Planning Building Overseer,
Srikakulam Municipality - **through** the DTCP., A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Corporation., A.P., Guntur.
The Director of Town and Country Planning, A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:

The General Administration (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to A.P.Vigilance Commission, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The OSD to Minister (MA & UD).
The PS to Special CS., MA & UD Department.
SF/SCs.

// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.